



## SOCIAL SERVICES NEWS

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### INFORMATION MEETING SET FOR PROSPECTIVE FOSTER OR ADOPTIVE PARENTS

HICKORY, N.C. -- Family Builders of Catawba Valley invites anyone interested in fostering or adopting a child to attend the Resource Family Information Meeting at 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 12 . The meeting will be held at the Family Services Center, 3050 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Drive SE, Hickory, N.C. 28602 (behind Catawba Valley Medical Center).

“We hold the Resource Family Information Meeting on the second Tuesday of each month to help raise awareness of the great need for permanent homes for Catawba County’s waiting children,” said Sharon Hamby, a social worker. “We welcome anyone to attend to ask questions and to learn more about ways they can touch the lives of our county’s waiting children.”

Resource Families include Family Foster Homes, Therapeutic Foster Homes, Adoptive Homes, Respite Care Homes and Visiting Resources.

Specific information about becoming a Resource Family will be available at the meeting. Guests also will learn about required training for Resource Families and hear stories about the rewards of helping Catawba County’s waiting children.

For more information about the meeting or to schedule an individual appointment to discuss becoming a resource family, contact Sharon Hamby at Family Builders of Catawba Valley at (828) 465-8901 or email [shamby@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:shamby@catawbacountync.gov). For information on all services offered by Family Builders of Catawba Valley, visit website [www.familybuilderscv.org](http://www.familybuilderscv.org)

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